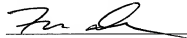


REMARKS

Claims 18-34 are in pending in the application. Applicants gratefully acknowledge Examiner's indication that claims 18-29 are allowed.

Claims 30-34 stand rejected under 35 USC § 103 as being unpatentable over Kasai et al., EP 684,637A3 (Kasai) in view of Ho et al., US 5,643,823 (Ho). Although Applicants respectfully disagree with the claim rejections for at least the reasons set forth in Applicants' previous Amendment, claims 30-34 have been canceled without prejudice to place the application in condition for allowance. The remaining pending claims 18-29 are allowed. Therefore, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance.

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